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SUBJECT: 10-YEAR MORATORIUM ON COMMERICAL WHALING

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SCIENCE COUNSELOR MET WITH CAPTAIN GHERSA, UNDER SECRETARY
FOR FISHING AND DR. F. BELLIZIO, SCIENTIFIC ADVISOR,
CONCERNING CONTENTS OF REFTEL (A). BOTH CAPTAIN GHERSA
AND DR. BELLIZIO ENTHUSIASTICALLY ENDORSED A 10-YEAR
MORATORIUM ON COMMERCIAL WHALING AND INDICATED ARGENTINA
WOULD SUPPORT THE U.S. PROPOSAL IF IT IS PLACED ON THE
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INTERNATIONAL WHALING COMMISSION ANNUAL MEETING AGENDA IN
LONDON. DR. BELLIZIO, WHO WAS ALSO A MEMBER OF THE
ARGENTINE DELEGATION TO THE ANTARCTIC TREATY MEETING IN
CANBERRA, SAID THIS WOULD CREATE A "TOUGH BATTLE" WITH THE
SOVIET UNION AND JAPAN AND CERTAIN OTHER COUNTRIES; BUT IT
IS AN URGENT PROBLEM, AND THE MORATORIUM SHOULD BE
PLACED ON ALL SPECIES OF WHALES. HE DID NOT SPECIFY THE

BOWHEAD WHALE SITUATION. CAPTAIN GHERSA NOTED THAT THE
GOA, FONOFF, WOULD FOLLOW THE ADVICE OF THE FISHING UNDER
SECRETARIAT IN THIS MATTER. ALSO THEY HOPED TO SEND AN
ARGENTINE FISHING EXPERT TO THE IWC MEETING IN LONDON.
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